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FOREWORD

THIS exercise has been prepared in order that our young people may know more of the conditions under which the immigrants come to our shores, and may have a more sympathetic interest in their lives. All the stories here told are true accounts of real experiences of immigrants who have recently come to our country.

Pictures in our home-missionary magazines and leaflets will give illustrations of the costumes needed, and a glance at the immigrants we may see in our railway stations will also help. But simply a bright-colored handkerchief and apron will do much towards picturing out one of these foreign women, and almost any old-fashioned garret will furnish carpetbags and boxes and bundles for their luggage.

Cards should be prepared beforehand to hang around the necks of those representing immigrants, on which have been printed the letters F. I. (Further Investigation), S. I. (Special Inquiry), T. D. (Temporarily Detained), E. (Excluded), D. (Deported), O. K. (All Right), etc. Screens will easily divide the platform into offices and detention-room. Officers with caps and badges will receive the incoming immigrants and direct them where to go. Further information may be found if needed in the mission-study book called "Aliens or Americans?" by Howard B. Grose, but still better would it be to make a visit to Ellis Island itself, as did the one who prepared this exercise.

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